

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - SPECIAL SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON TAXATION**

**Call to Order:** Chair Jeff Essmann, on November 15, 2017 at 10:00 A.M., in Room 102 Capitol

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Rep. Jeff Essmann, Chair (R)  
Rep. Kelly Flynn, Vice Chair (R)  
Rep. Tom Jacobson, Vice Chair (D)  
Rep. Kim Abbott (D)  
Rep. Becky Beard (R)  
Rep. Zach Brown (D)  
Rep. Mary Ann Dunwell (D)  
Rep. Ron Ehli (R)  
Rep. Dave Fern (D)  
Rep. Wylie Galt (R)  
Rep. Jim Hamilton (D)  
Rep. Adam Hertz (R)  
Rep. George G. Kipp III (D)  
Rep. Steve Lavin (R)  
Rep. James O'Hara (R)  
Rep. Alan Redfield (R)  
Rep. Bridget Smith (D)  
Rep. Tom Welch (R)  
Rep. Kerry White (R)

**Members Excused:** Rep. Greg Hertz (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Megan Moore, Legislative Services Division (LSD)  
Carolyn Tschida, Committee Secretary

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Executive Action: HB 7

00:01:02 Chair Essmann

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 7**

00:01:38 **Motion:** Rep. Redfield moved that **HB 7 DO PASS.**

00:01:51 **Substitute Motion/Vote:** Rep. Jacobson made a substitute motion that **HB 7 BE TABLED.** Substitute Motion failed 8-12 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Z. Brown, Rep. Dunwell, Rep. Fern, Rep. Hamilton, Rep. Jacobson, Rep. Kipp and Rep. B. Smith voting aye. Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

00:04:02 **Motion:** Rep. Redfield moved that **HB 7 BE AMENDED.**  
**EXHIBIT(tah03a01)**

**Discussion:**

00:04:13 Rep Redfield  
00:04:24 Rep. Dunwell  
00:06:27 Rep. Hamilton  
00:07:30 Chair Essmann

00:10:15 **Vote:** Motion carried 11-9 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Z. Brown, Rep. Dunwell, Rep. Fern, Rep. Hamilton, Rep. A. Hertz, Rep. Jacobson, Rep. Kipp and Rep. B. Smith voting no. Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

00:10:30 **Motion:** Rep. Flynn moved that **HB 7 BE AMENDED.**  
**EXHIBIT(tah03a02)**

**Discussion:**

00:10:48 Megan Moore, Legislative Services Division (LSD)  
00:11:57 Chair Essmann  
00:13:00 Rep. Brown  
00:13:26 Chair Essmann  
00:13:39 Rep. Jacobson  
00:14:29 Rep. Abbott  
00:14:55 Chair Essmann  
00:15:02 Rep. Dunwell  
00:15:21 Chair Essmann  
00:15:25 Rep. Redfield  
00:16:07 Rep. Flynn

00:16:50 **Vote:** Motion carried 13-7 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Z. Brown, Rep. Dunwell, Rep. Hamilton, Rep. Jacobson, Rep. Kipp and Rep. B. Smith voting no. Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

00:18:19 **Motion:** Rep. Flynn moved that **HB 7 BE AMENDED.**  
**EXHIBIT(tah03a03)**

**Discussion:**

00:18:45 Rep. Flynn

00:19:29 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. Hamilton and Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

00:20:12 Megan Moore, LSD

00:21:17 Chair Essmann

00:21:50 **Motion:** Rep. Flynn moved that **HB 7 BE AMENDED.**

[\*\*EXHIBIT\(tah03a04\)\*\*](#)

**Discussion:**

00:22:29 Rep. Jacobson

00:23:01 **Vote:** Motion carried 19-1 by voice vote with Rep. Galt voting no. Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

00:23:42 **Motion:** Rep. Flynn moved that **HB 7 BE AMENDED.**

[\*\*EXHIBIT\(tah03a05\)\*\*](#)

**Discussion:**

00:24:17 Rep. Flynn

00:24:43 Chair Essmann

00:24:48 Rep. Jacobson

00:25:05 Chair Essmann

00:25:25 **Vote:** Motion carried 19-1 by voice vote with Rep. Galt voting no. Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

00:26:01 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Flynn moved that **HB 7 BE AMENDED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

[\*\*EXHIBIT\(tah03a06\)\*\*](#)

00:27:50 **Motion:** Rep. Jacobson moved that **HB 7 BE AMENDED.**

[\*\*EXHIBIT\(tah03a07\)\*\*](#)

**Discussion:**

00:28:08 Rep. Jacobson

00:28:31 Rep. Redfield

00:28:49 **Vote:** Motion failed 10-10 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Z. Brown, Rep. Dunwell, Rep. Essmann, Rep. Fern, Rep. Galt, Rep. Hamilton, Rep. Jacobson, Rep. Kipp and Rep. B. Smith voting aye. Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

00:30:20 Rep. Redfield

[\*\*EXHIBIT\(tah03a08\)\*\*](#)

00:31:51 Rep. Welch

00:32:13 Chair Essmann

00:32:34     **Motion:** Rep. Flynn moved that **HB 7 DO PASS AS AMENDED.**

**Discussion:**

00:32:49     Rep. Abbott  
00:34:51     Rep. Flynn  
00:35:49     Rep. Fern  
00:37:47     Rep. Dunwell  
00:39:40     Rep. Redfield  
00:40:53     Chair Essmann  
00:42:57     Rep. White  
00:43:10     Rep. Jacobson  
00:46:17     Rep. Hamilton  
00:47:41     Rep. Beard  
00:48:57     Rep. Flynn

00:49:54     **Vote:** Motion carried 12-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Abbott, Rep. Z. Brown, Rep. Dunwell, Rep. Fern, Rep. Hamilton, Rep. Jacobson, Rep. Kipp and Rep. B. Smith voting no. Rep. G. Hertz voted by proxy.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 10:50 A.M.

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Carolyn Tschida, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT**([tah03aad.pdf](#))